



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Amateur Radio represents an organized volunteer communications public service authorized by the U.S. Federal Communications Commission, and through research and experimentation, contributes to the advancement of radio technology; and

**WHEREAS**, the nearly 6,500 licensed Amateur Radio operators in Louisiana, using skills developed through practice and radio equipment built or purchased themselves, form a vital emergency communications network; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 26th and 27th, Louisiana Amateur Radio operators will join thousands of other amateurs throughout the United States and Canada in sharpening their operating skills under emergency conditions in an annual 24-hour preparedness exercise known as "Field Day."

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the state of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim June 26-27, 2004, as

### AMATEUR RADIO FIELD DAYS

in the state of Louisiana, and urge all of our citizens to recognize the exemplary and voluntary contributions of our radio amateurs.



*Attest By  
The Governor*

*[Signature of Joseph R. Keithen]*  
Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set  
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the  
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the  
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this  
the 25th day of June  
A.D., 2004.*

*[Signature of Kathleen Babineaux Blanco]*  
Governor of Louisiana